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FOR NEA ONLY

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: CFED, SA, KU, TC, US
SUBJECT: GAO SURVEY ON AVAILABILITY AND SECURITY OF U.S. OIL
SUPPLIES

REF (A) STATE 185135 (NOTAL), (B) JIDDA 4179 (NOTAL)

1. NEA/ARP PLEASE FILL US IN ON CURRENT PLANS OF GAO TEAM.
WE HOPE COUNTRY DIRECTOR WILL BE ABLE TO TALK TEAM OUT OF
FIVE-WEEK STAY HERE; WE FRANKLY WOULD NOT KNOW HOW TO KEEP
THEM OCCUPIED DURING PERIOD IN WHICH WE WILL BE HAVING
NUMEROUS OTHER OFFICIAL VISITORS. WE CONSIDER TWO OR, AT
MAXIMUM, THREE-WEEK VISIT SHOULD SUFFICE.

2. PER REFTEL (B) WE WOULD INTEND TO LIMIT TEAM'S OFFICIAL
CONTACTS TO AMERICAN COMMUNITY, AND HOPE GAO TEAM UNDERSTANDS
THIS BEFORE DEPARTURE. OUR INTENT IN THIS IS NOT TO HINDER
GAO TEAM'S WORK, BUT TO AVOID MISUNDERSTANDING ON PART OF
SAG OFFICIALS WHICH COULD COMPLICATE OUR OWN EFFORTS TO
REPORT ON OIL ISSUES. GIVEN NORMAL SAUDI SECRETIVENESS
ON MATTERS OF POLICY, THEIR PARTICULAR SENSITIVITIES ON
OIL SUPPLY ISSUES, AND THEIR PROBABLE SUSPICIONS OF
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CONGRESSIONAL MOTIVATIONS, WE DOUBT, IN ANY EVENT, IF
SAG OFFICIALS WOULD BE XOOOPERATIVE SOURCES FOR GAO TEAM'S
QUESTIONNAIRE APPROACH.

3. ARAMCO OFFICE HERE IS AWARE OF TEAM'S IMPENDING VISIT,
AND IS HIGHLY UNENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT HOLDING EXTENSIVE
CONVERSATIONS WITH THEM, AN ATTITUDE WHICH WE ASSUME IS

SHARED IN DHAHRAN HEADQUARTERS.

4. AS WE EXPECT TEAM WILL WISH TO VISIT CONGEN AND
ARAMCO, PLEASE INCLUDE DHAHRAN ON FUTURE MESSAGES. WE
POUCHING COPIES OF REFTELS TO CONGEN.
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